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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR COOPERATION IN SOCIAL SECURITY

1. EMBASSY HAS BEEN APPROACHED INFORMALLY BY MEMBER OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE COSTA RICA SOCIAL SECURITY SYSTEM (CAJA DE SEGURIDAD SOCIAL) WHICH WOULD APPRECIATE SHORT-TERM ADVISORY SERVICES OF A U.S. SOCIAL SECURITY EXPERT IN THE EVALUATION OF DISABILITIES. CAJA BELIEVES THAT EXPERT'S SERVICES WOULD BE NEEDED FOR AT LEAST ONE WEEK TO ACCOMPLISH FOLLOWING OBJECTIVES:

(A) PROVIDE INFORMATION ON STANDARDS AND TECHNIQUES IN THIS FIELD EMPLOYED IN THE UNITED STATES; AND (B) REVIEW THE COSTA RICAN SYSTEM AND, IF U.S. TRAINING OF COSTA RICAN PERSONNEL APPEARS WARRANTED, TO SUGGEST PROCEDURES UNDER WHICH SUCH PERSONNEL MIGHT BE TRAINED AT THE EXPENSE OF THE LOCAL SYSTEM.

2. CAJA IS A PRESTIGIOUS, MULTI-MILLION DOLLAR OPERATION OF GREAT POLITICAL, ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL IMPORTANCE HERE. THIS INVITATION OFFERS REAL OPPORTUNITY NOT ONLY TO PROVIDE NEEDED TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE BUT ALSO TO ESTABLISH CLOSE TIES WITH THE UNITED STATES IN THIS FIELD. EMBASSY STRONGLY RECOMMENDS THAT SSS PROVIDE DISTINGUISHED CONSULTANT FOR THIS PURPOSE.

3. ALTHOUGH LOCAL SYSTEM COULD NO DOUBT PAY FOR THESE SERVICES, EMBASSY FURTHER RECOMMENDS THAT THESE FIRST CONSULTATIONS BE PROVIDED WITHOUT CHARGE AS A FRIENDLY GESTURE IF AT ALL
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POSSIBLE. SPANISH LANGUAGE CAPABILITY WOULD BE HIGHLY

DESIREABLE, BUT MAY NOT BE ESSENTIAL. LOCAL CAJA
WOULD WELCOME US EXPERT AT ANY CONVENIENT TIME EITHER BEFORE
OR AFTER CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS. TODMAN

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